(b) and (c) Yes.

(d) Water connection has been sanctioned by MCD on 3-12-85 but firm date for making available the water supply has not been indicated so far.

DESU has completed external electrification work for 300 Type III Quarters and for the rest work is in progress.

Non-Payment of Salaries to the Staff of Nanhi Duniya Badhir Vidyalaya

1597. SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 1970-A given in the Rajya Sabha on 14th March, 1986 and state ;

(a) Whether the Central Government have since received the report from the Uttar Pradesh Government regarding the non-payment of salaries to the staff of Nanhi Duniya Badhir Vidyalaya Dehradun;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI GIRDHAR GOMANGO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The State Government reported that salaries of the staff have been paid except that of the Principal , who had been suspended. The State Government had recommended that grant for 1985-86 should be given to the District Magistrate of Dehradun for paying the salary directly to the staff. An *Ad-hoc* grant of Rs. 2 lakhs for 1985-86 has accordingly been released to the District Magistrate of Dehradun.

Housing and Urban Development Corporation

1598. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Housing and Urban Development Corporation had been set up primarily as a financing organisation for helping weaker and needy section of society ;

(b) whether of late HUDCO has entered in to the field of planning and construction also;

(c) whether HUDCO, not being properly organised for construction activities, has sought the help of the Central PWD for completing their projects ; and

(d) if so, what steps are proposed to be taken to prevent HUDCO from entering into areas for which it is not qualified ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) : (a) The main function of the Housing and Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO) is to provide loans for housing and urban development programmes meant for various income groups including economically weaker sections of the society.

(b) to (d) HUDCO does not normally undertake construction work. Since its inception in 1971, HUDCO took up only three construction projects, two of which were completed and handed over to the concerned agencies long ago. The third project which relates to the construction of houses at Mehrauli Badarpur Road, New Delhi was delayed due to various reasons and has been handed over to Central Public Works Department (CPWD) for execution.